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WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Casey, William **Report No:** WIR-027244 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 27-Feb-2012

City: Oakland, CA 94607

Project Name: SAS Superstructure **OSM Arrival Time:** 700 **OSM Departure Time:** 1730 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **Location:** Job Site

CWI Name: Fred Von Hoff **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS: Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component: OBG** Components

Summary of Items Observed:

On this date, Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) Kenneth Riley was present at the San Francisco Oakland bay Bridge job site at Yerba Buena Island to observe erection and welding activities for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) project. This Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) observed the following work performed by American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises (AB/F) personnel at the locations noted below:

- A). Vent Holes
- B). Lifting Lug Holes

The QAI observed that welder's Salvador Sandoval and Mike Jimenez was using the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process, with electrode E7018 for the Complete Joint Penetration weld in the flat (1G) position at 13W PP119.2 W5 Vent Hole (Sandoval) and 13W PP118.2 W5 Vent Hole (Jimenez). This QAI observed that the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) used for this location was ABF-WPS-D15-1050A-CU and a 4.8mm electrodes were used for the intermediate and cover passes with welding amps measured at 245 (Sandoval) and 251 (Jimenez). The welder's was observed using weed burner's to pre-heat the area's prior to welding at 40 degrees Celsius (150 degrees F) which was verified using a tempstik and infrared gun by the QC. The welder was also observed by this QAI as using a chipping hammer, power grinder and power wire wheel for the interpass cleaning. The QC inspector for this location was Fred Von Hoff and was observed verifying and documenting the welding parameters for this location, along with overseeing the welding operations. At the time of the observations no issues were noted by the QAI.

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Later in the shift the welder's Salvador Sandoval and Mike Jimenez had completed the welds listed above and had moved onto 13W PP119.5 W5 Vent Hole (Sandoval) and 13W PP118.5 W5 Vent Hole (Jimenez). The welders had fit the 20mm thick inserts with a copper backing to both locations which was verified and accepted by the QC inspector Fred Von Hoff this information was relayed to this QAI. Both welders then preceded in using the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process, with electrode E7018 for the Complete Joint Penetration weld in the flat (1G) position at This QAI observed that the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) used for this location was ABF-WPS-D15-1050A-CU and a 3.2mm electrodes were being used for the root and hot passes with welding amps measured at 138 (Sandoval) and 141 (Jimenez). The welder's was observed using weed burner's to pre-heat the area's prior to welding at 40 degrees Celsius (150 degrees F) which was verified using a tempstik and infrared gun by the QC. The welder was also observed by this QAI as using a chipping hammer, power grinder and power wire wheel for the interpass cleaning. The QC inspector for this location was Fred Von Hoff and was observed verifying and documenting the welding parameters for this location, along with overseeing the welding operations. At the time of the observations no issues were noted by the QAI.

B). Lifting Lug Holes

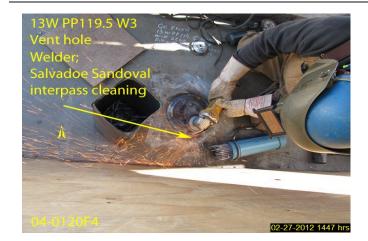
The QAI observed welder Rick Clayborn was performing carbon Arc Cutting (CAC) at 13W PP119.5 W3 1 & 2, and 13W PP121.5 W3 1 & 2. The back gouging was being performed on the complete joint penetration (CJP) joints. The QC inspector Salvador Merino had performed Magnetic Particle inspection (MT) after the completion of the back gouge and prior to the continuing of the welding process, the results relayed to this QAI was acceptable. Mr. Clayborn then continued with the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) using a 3.2mm electrode E7018 under Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1110A for the Complete Joint Penetration with welding amps of 148. The welder was using a weed burner to pre-heat the area's prior to welding at 40 degrees Celsius (150 degrees F) which was verified using a tempstik and infrared gun by the QC. The welder was also observed by this QAI as using a chipping hammer, power grinder and power wire wheel for the interpass cleaning. The QC inspector for this location was Salvador Merino and was observed verifying and documenting the welding parameters for this location, along with overseeing the welding operations. At the time of the observations no issues were noted by the QAI.

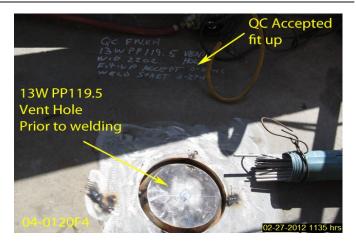
The QA inspector observed the QC activities and the welding utilizing the WPS's as noted above, which appeared to be posted at the weld station. The welding parameters and surface temperatures were verified by the QC inspectors utilizing a Fluke 337 clamp meter for the electrical welding parameters and a Fluke 63 IR Thermometer for verifying the preheat and interpass temperatures. The consumables utilized for the welding process stated appeared to comply with the AWS Specification and AWS Classification. The QC inspection, testing and welding performed on this shift appeared to be in general compliance with the contract documents. At random intervals, the QAI verified the QC inspection, testing, welding parameters and the surface temperatures utilizing various inspection equipment and gages which included a Fluke 337 Clamp Meter and Tempilstik Temperature indicators.

Unless noted otherwise, all work observed on this date appeared to be in general compliance with the contract documents at the time of observations.

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Summary of Conversations:

Basic conservation, fundamental to completion of the tasks at hand, occurred between this QAI and ABF QC personnel.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Nina Choy (510) 385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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